

"RIPPER", DOING LIFE SENTENCE, FLEES PRISON

Emil Totterman, Slayer of
Woman, Escapes From
Honor Camp.

New York, Aug. 22.—Emil Totterman, a life term prisoner at Sing Sing, a "ripper" whose killing of a woman in this city in 1903 was one of the most atrocious acts of the sort New York had ever known, has escaped.

He got away Sunday afternoon—apparently just walked away, without any hindrance—from the "honor camp" for prisoners at Beckman, N. Y. He had been working there with eight other men in charge of a single guard, for several months.

Reluctant to believe that Totterman had actually gone, the officials at Sing Sing until early yesterday morning held to the belief that the murderer was "lost in the woods" near Beckman and that he would surely return. Therefore no alarm was sent out for him. It was not until the day was well advanced that Warden Osborne notified the police. Then no trace of him could be found.

Totterman got permission from his guard Sunday to go blackberrying in the woods near the convict farm. It is said that he had made the acquaintance of a soldier, Camp Whitman at Beckman. The soldier started on a 48 hour leave of absence about the time Totterman vanished.

Member of Welfare League.
The "ripper" was a member of the Mutual Welfare League of Sing Sing, and as such was granted the privilege of working at the "honor camp" under a merely nominal guard. But Warden Osborne took pains last evening to explain that it wasn't he who permitted the man, guilty of a particularly heinous crime, to go about practically free.

"This unfortunate escape," said the warden, "was by one of a group of men selected last spring, during my absence, for farmwork at Beckman. Of course, I could have recalled him after my return to duty, but I did not. I am free to say that I should not have approved this particular selection."

Totterman was selected for the "honor group" during the period that Dean Kitchin of Columbia University was acting as warden.

Totterman is a Swede, over six feet, with a powerful frame, blue eyes and gray hair. He was a sailor.

Murdered a Woman.
In December, 1904, Totterman killed Sarah March, otherwise known as "Cob Dock Salter," in a hotel at James Ship and Water street. He mutilated her body terribly with a knife. In February, 1906, he was convicted of murder and sentenced to be electrocuted two months later.

A record of heroism saved his life. In the battle of Santiago he was in the United States navy and did gallant work about the Iowa in her fight with the Christian Colon. He went ashore and helped capture Spaniards who fled when the Colon was beached. It was said he caught 50 single handed. During his career at sea, which began when he was 11 years old, he saved numerous lives.

On account of this record Governor Higgins commuted his sentence.

Warden Osborne said last night: "I am doing my best to bring about a more business-like administration of prisoners by officers. The officer of the road says from which a prisoner escaped three weeks ago has been suspended for a month without pay. The one from whom two got away the week before last has also been suspended and charges have been brought against him."

BRIEF NEWS NOTES

William Timlin, Justice of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, is dead.

The Senate voted \$50,000 for remodeling the post office building at Baltimore, Md.

Three persons were killed and three others badly hurt when an automobile ran off a bridge which spans a creek at Owingsville, Ky.

Six hundred and twenty-five American families who left Mexico owing to the past international crisis have returned through Vera Cruz.

Four more bodies have been taken from the West-side waterworks tunnel, where 19 men perished four weeks ago, five miles out under Lake Erie.

Edward W. Townsend, postmaster of Montclair, N. J., announced he would not be a candidate for Congress where he served several terms.

The Senate Judiciary Committee reported favorably the nomination of Judge Hough to be judge of the Federal Court of Appeals of the New York circuit.

Miss Claire Galligan of New Rochelle, N. Y., won the national four-mile women's swimming championship at St. Louis. She made the distance in 21 minutes, 25 seconds.

An increase in the Spanish army to 250,000 men on peace footing is provided for in a military reorganization bill which will be presented to Parliament by the minister of war.

Otto Knapp of Brooklyn dived into shallow water at College Point. Companions rescued him when he floated unconscious on the surface. His neck was broken. He died soon after.

Five American survivors of the British bark Langdale, which was wrecked on Aug. 9 outside of Point Delgada harbor, in the Azores, arrived at Boston on the steamer Canopus, from Naples.

A new fashion in street naming was set by the city fathers of New Britain, Conn., who voted to name streets after makers of automobiles. They christened them Ford, Overland, Dodge and Geo streets.

Sam N. Ford, an actor, of New York, had a narrow escape from injury when a trolley car struck the automobile he was driving through Allendale, N. J., and knocked it down.

HOME HEALTH CLUB

(Edited by Dr. David H. Reeder, Chicago.)

A FOUL BREATH AND ITS CAUSE:—(From Ideal Life) "Few things are more offensive than a foul breath. The possessor of an offensive breath should leave no stone unturned until this cause is removed. There is always a cause for such condition, and the skillful physician can find it. It may be located in the nose, the teeth, the tonsils, the stomach or in the body generally. A single decayed tooth may cause a very foul breath. An ulcer of the nose or even a catarrhal condition of the nose may produce it. The foul breath of the fever patient is well known.

Many a time foul breath is caused by poisons being locked up in the system. Constipation may be the source; so may an obstructive condition of the skin. That onions will produce a foul breath is a notorious fact, but it is not so well known that other articles of food may be the source of other offensive odors from the breath and from the body in general. Many persons do not know that these conditions are removable.

Certain constitutional diseases, especially syphilis, may produce a very foul odor. Some persons are afflicted with offensive sweating of the feet, which does not yield to frequent washing. Most of these cases can be cured by some very simple remedies taken internally. Other persons have very offensive perspiration from the armpits. This also will often yield to simple remedies administered internally.

BABY FEEDING HINTS:—"Baby becomes thirsty and hungry. A baby is 85 per cent water and only 15 per cent solid.

If a baby's stool is green and there is colic, give some cereal food preparation for twenty-four hours. Usually in that time or within thirty-six hours at most the stool will become normal.

If the baby's food comes up yellowish, there is too much cream in the food. If it comes up curdled, there is too much milk in the food. Cut down the amount of milk temporarily a half by adding water, and subtracting milk. If the bowels are constipated, add more cream to the food. The tendency of mother or nurse to feed the baby too often. If the baby is fed every three hours right on the minute, missing one feeding at night it will be easier for all.

If baby becomes chafed and the skin is raw, the cause is overfeeding or the washing of the diapers in harsh soap or it is because the nurse has allowed the diapers to remain wet on the child for a long time.

CLUB NOTES
I will gladly answer all inquiries for information on health subjects from readers of this publication if same are addressed to Home Health Club, 5039 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill. Send full name and address with 4 cents postage.

Dear Doctor: I have a little girl about a year old and both her eyes are very crossed. They both turn in. What would you advise doing?

Over a year ago my husband was thrown off a horse and landed on his back. For three or four weeks it bothered and pained him, then it got quite a bit better, but every little while it troubles him. A short time ago, while loading grain in the wagon, he was on all at once and he could hardly walk to the house. He was in bed for a week. When we had a doctor in he said there was quite a deformity left in the back and that the muscles had become afflicted, and he thought the spine had been torn away from the back. He was hurt just below the waist line, two or three inches. When he does not need to work very hard his back does not trouble him nearly so much. It is hard not to overwork on a farm. Can you tell of anything that would help to make the back strong? What will cure scoliosis in a young man when it is just starting? He has it badly.

MRS. H. S.
(Answer) It happens quite frequently that babies are cross-eyed, but frequently they grow out of it. There is nothing to do for it now. Under no circumstances should any surgery be used, at least not for 4 or 5 years. There is a very simple operation that can be performed by any skillful oculist which is not in the least dangerous or painful, but it should under no circumstances be allowed before the child is 5 or 6 years old. In the meantime it would be well for you to try to correct this irregularity yourself.

Twice daily for a few minutes at a time you should hold your forefingers together before the baby's eyes a few inches distant. Gradually and very slowly draw them apart and endeavor to have the child's eyes closely fixed on the fingers all the time. This may not perhaps be done in the beginning, but the child will soon understand it and after a while she will do it without persuasion. This exercise is very simple but it has in many cases succeeded in gradually overcoming cross-eyedness.

In your husband's case I am satisfied that osteopathy would be of the greatest help and especially if the muscles or sinews are sore. If there is a good osteopath in your neighborhood by all means secure his services. Even a few treatments would undoubtedly do him very much good. The Home Health Club method of treatment for lumbago explained in Vol. 3 would also benefit him greatly. There is a possibility of the kidneys being affected in some way and if so proper treatment must be given.

In the case of the young man having scoliosis, the pains can be allayed, at least to a very great extent, by employing heat. In fact, heat will give relief from almost any neuralgic pains, if it can be applied in sufficient strength. Wet and dry heat are both effective, and in the book above referred to their application is explained under the heading of Neuralgia and Hot Fomentations. A good stimulating liniment should be applied very thoroughly over the affected parts. He should also pay a great deal of attention to his digestive organs and see to it that the bowels move regularly. The affected part could be wrapped in cotton, as this would allay pain. Absolute quiet is also needed in some cases. The diet should be extremely light. Excesses of all kinds must be avoided. A liniment consisting of tinctures of lobelia, mullein and lady-slipper, each two ounces, and tincture of capsicum, four drams, is excellent for the above purpose. It can be easily secured from almost any druggist.

Minneapolis mills have advanced flour 25 cents a barrel to \$2.65.

MOOSE LEADERS STILL FLOCKING TO AID WILSON

New York, Aug. 22.—Progressives from all parts of the country are still flocking to Democratic standard and offering to assist in every way possible the reelection of President Wilson, according to Vance McCormick, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, who yesterday made public letters and telegrams that have been received by the committee during the last few days.

Nine prominent Progressives in the State of Washington joined in a telegram to President Wilson inviting him to arrange to make speeches in that State during the campaign. At the request of the President, Chairman McCormick replied to the invitation and expressed the regret of the President that he will be unable to do what was suggested.

"Press dispatches from Washington would indicate you may not come in this State during the campaign," said the telegrams. "Chances never better to carry State of Washington. Members of Progressive Party are now in open revolt against amalgamation with the Republicans. If you would arrange to make two or three speeches here it would insure electoral vote of Washington for you. We, the undersigned members of the Progressive Party of the State of Washington, who are supporting you for re-election, most respectfully but earnestly appeal to you to come to the State for at least two speeches before Nov. 1, if it is possible to do so. We want to win Washington for Wilson."

The National Committee made public yesterday correspondence that has passed between Hugo Winter, an attorney with offices in the Woolworth Building, who was the Progressive candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court of New York last year, and President Wilson. Mr. Winter wrote the President that he intended to work "unqualifiedly and uncompromisingly" for his re-election.

In reply to Mr. Winter President Wilson wrote: "Your letter of July 15 has given me the greatest pleasure and a great deal of genuine encouragement. I have tried hard to earn the confidence of all progressive and forward-looking men, and when I get letters such as this of yours it brings me the reward I have been seeking and the only reward I desire, the confidence of public-spirited men."

Know There Were Fairies.
The Woman Who Saw has a little friend with wide open eyes and long brown curls. Sometimes when the Woman Who Saw is at her little friend's house and the other members of the family happen to be out of the room there is a chance for delightful little conferences. The Woman Who Saw always tries to make each opportunity, and she made one on her last visit.

Her little wild-eyed friend had been watching for it too. In a flash she lighted upon the arm of the sofa and whispered into the ear of the woman: "Do you know, there are fairies! Because—exactly—last night I made a little swing for them on my desk, such a wee little swing, out of the finest, tiniest pieces of sticks and cobwebs. And—this morning the swing was all broken! And that shows that the fairies swung in it last night, doesn't it?"

The Woman Who Saw longed suddenly for that volume of Hans Christian Andersen and the window looking out upon the orchard—long ago—New York Evening Sun.

His Palindrome.
A tourist traveling with a party of friends was seized with a sudden illness and was compelled to remain for some hours in a hotel. He insisted that the others must go out and enjoy the day and said that he would spend a few hours composing a palindrome—a sentence the letters of which are in the same order whether read forward or backward.

"All right," said one of the party, "but you'll never beat the sign I saw in a country store when I was a boy and red root was in some demand: 'RED ROOT PUT UP TO ORDER.'"

When the party returned the sick man's face wore a triumphant smile as he handed the following lines to his friend:

To prove him to a doubting maid,
Ned a bold, dangerous task essayed.
And when he came in triumph home
She answered with a palindrome,
Ere half his fervent plea was done,
"Now, Ned, I am a maiden won."
—Youth's Companion.

England's Most Beautiful Village.
When Sir John Gorst succeeded his brother in his Wiltshire property he became the owner of what is held, in the west country at any rate, to be the most beautiful village in England. All visitors to Bath are supposed to have misused their opportunities unless they have been to Castle Combe, and indeed the sweet little place is so extensively visited, although it is five and a half miles from any railway, that during the summer months provision is made on the last day of the week for from 800 to 1,000 trippers. The surrounding scenery is not less picturesque than the village itself, and to those who are interested in such matters there is also the attraction of a long history. The church of Castle Combe, which is ancient, has been restored without being spoiled. —Westminster Gazette.

Balzac and Dumas Literary Foes.
It is said that Balzac detested Dumas. Once he brought to the Siecle the manuscript of a novel, which was to follow "Les Trois Mousquetaires," then being published. He asked to be paid 2½ francs a line. The director of the journal hesitated. "You see, M. Dumas is being paid only 2 francs a line." "If you are giving 2 francs to that negro I shall get out!" And Balzac stalked off.

Dumas was not ignorant of Balzac's feelings toward him and did not spare him. In the foyer of the Odeon theater Balzac was talking loudly in a group of literary men, "When I have written myself out as a novelist I shall go to playwrighting." "You can begin right away," called out Dumas.



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DOROTHY SMITH WILL PLAY PROMINENT PART IN PARK PRODUCTION

Miss Dorothy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. H. Smith of Park avenue is to have one of the leading roles in Dr. Louis Smirnow's community play, "The Masque of Shakespeare," which is to be given in Beardsley park on the evenings of September 14, 15 and 16. Miss Smith will be Melpomene, which part will give her ample scope for her histrionic ability. She has taken part in many amateur productions and always acquitted herself with great credit. While at Courtland school she appeared in the plays given by the English club which were always of a very high order, and last year scored a personal success in "The Melting Pot," which was put on by Thomas Willmore, who is also in the cast of "The Masque of Shakespeare."

After leaving Courtland School, Miss Smith went to the National park seminary in Washington, D. C., where she was most active in amateur dramatics. Among the different plays in which she appeared were Sheridan's "The Rivals," "As You Like It" and "Romeo and Juliet," Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and "Twelfth Night," one of

LADY GREGORY'S PLAYS. Her work was the subject of much favorable comment. The role which Miss Smith has in "The Masque of Shakespeare" is one of the leads, and judging from the manner in which Miss Smith portrays the part at the rehearsals, she will add to the successes she has already achieved in other productions.

FAIRFIELD TO SPEND \$50,000 ON SCHOOLS

(Special to The Farmer)
Fairfield, Aug. 22.—At a meeting last night of the Fairfield school board \$50,000 was estimated as the amount needed this year for the maintenance of the schools. Of this \$34,000 will be spent for salaries of teachers. A special meeting of the committee in charge of the plans for an addition to the Pequot school in Southport will meet Thursday afternoon. It is expected the completed building will be ready by September, 1917. The Fairfield schools will open this year as usual, September 5.

COL. JAMES G. BUTLER, DEAD

St. Louis, Aug. 22.—Col. James Gay Butler, multi-millionaire and philanthropist, died early today. He was 76 years old.

PARALYSIS SCARE DRIVES PINCHOT TO PURCHASE A HOUSE

Simsbury, Aug. 22.—People who travel with children in these days of paralysis scare have many trials and exasperating experiences, but it is not often that a man has to buy a place in order to be able to stop and rest with his family. Such, however, is said to be the experience of Amos Pinchot, nephew of Mrs. Antoinette E. Wood of this place.

Traveling north with his family from their home in Pennsylvania, as soon as he reached the region where infantile paralysis precautions were in force, he was allowed to stop only a few minutes, and everywhere that he tried to stop for food and rest, he was requested to move along, until the matter of rest and food became serious. Becoming exasperated at his treatment and knowing of a place near Haystack Mountain in Norfolk that was for sale, Mr. Pinchot promptly proceeded there, bought the place and remained to eat and rest, and there he will remain with his family until the traveling prospects are better.

ADVERTISE IN THE FARMER.

DR. FORMICHELLA IS RED CROSS DELEGATE

Dr. John Formicella, of 654 Pembroke street, whose ardent advocacy of the Red Cross cause, resulted in the purchase of an automobile for the Italian war front, has been named delegate for the state of Connecticut in the Italian Red Cross society. Word of the appointment was cable from Rome, yesterday.

The Red Cross society of this city is busily engaged in soliciting funds for a \$30,000 portable field hospital with 100 beds and an operating room.

BABY BURIED BY LIME

Three year old Charles Anderson of Fairfield, fell into a vat of lime yesterday, while playing in a lot near his home, and suffered first degree burns of his body and hands. He was treated last evening at the emergency hospital.

Shipments of fresh and cured meats from Chicago last week totaled 43,933,000 pounds.

Seven deaths and 15 new cases of infantile paralysis were reported at Philadelphia.



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